



COMMITTEE FOR AUCKLAND

ELECTION PRIORITIES 2026

The Auckland Action Agenda

Eight actions for New Zealand's next government

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OUR PROPOSITION

Auckland's performance is a national economic issue.

Drawing on Whitiki Tauā | Auckland's Action Agenda, these are our eight priorities for the next government.

Whitiki Tauā | Auckland's Action Agenda — committeeforauckland.co.nz/whitiki-taua



Eight priorities for the next government

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Put homes, jobs, and infrastructure in the same places

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Make Auckland's growth and opportunity more widely shared

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GOVERNANCE AND DELIVERY

Make the Auckland Deal deliver

01

Convert Auckland's gateway advantage into economic value

WHAT WE ARE ASKING THE NEXT GOVERNMENT TO DO

Recognise Auckland as New Zealand's primary international gateway and back a coordinated plan to capture more visitor spend, investment, skilled people, and international business from the flows already passing through the city, including a single front door for investment and talent, and a stronger international proposition.

PRIORITY

02

TALENT AND INNOVATION

Build Auckland's innovation and talent engine

WHAT WE ARE ASKING THE NEXT GOVERNMENT TO DO

Back Auckland as New Zealand's innovation centre through a jointly funded programme aligning research, education and skills, procurement, precincts and growth capital to help more firms commercialise and scale here, and to build, attract and retain world-class talent in Auckland.

PRIORITY

03

THE CITY CENTRE

Make the city centre work as Auckland's economic engine

WHAT WE ARE ASKING THE NEXT GOVERNMENT TO DO

Partner with Auckland on a city-centre programme capitalising on the \$6bn+ private-investment pipeline, improving safety, public amenities, and the night-time economy, developing a knowledge and innovation corridor, and supporting a doubling of the residential population.

04

Get the full return from the City Rail Link

WHAT WE ARE ASKING THE NEXT GOVERNMENT TO DO

Make the CRL the backbone of an integrated transport and development programme: improve feeder buses and interchange, accelerate transit-oriented development and station-precinct activation, continue developing Auckland's rapid-transit network and progress demand management to tackle congestion.

PRIORITY

05

ENVIRONMENT AND
RESILIENCE

Turn Auckland's natural advantage into environmental leadership and resilience

WHAT WE ARE ASKING THE NEXT GOVERNMENT TO DO

Partner with Auckland on a measurable environmental improvement programme to reduce transport and waste emissions, improve biodiversity and urban vegetation, accelerate blue-green infrastructure and strengthen flood resilience.

PRIORITY

06

HOUSING AND COMMUNITIES

Put homes, jobs, and infrastructure in the same places

WHAT WE ARE ASKING THE NEXT GOVERNMENT TO DO

Protect Auckland's housing-supply gains by incentivising growth around rapid transit and priority centres, aligning infrastructure funding and sequencing with development, and ensuring neighbourhoods experiencing growth see tangible benefits.

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07

SHARED OPPORTUNITY

Make Auckland's growth and opportunity more widely shared

WHAT WE ARE ASKING THE NEXT GOVERNMENT TO DO

Better target public investment in transport, skills, education, and essential services towards communities facing the greatest barriers, including Māori and Pasifika communities, and use measures to track whether access to jobs and opportunity improves.

PRIORITY

08

GOVERNANCE AND DELIVERY

Make the Auckland Deal deliver

WHAT WE ARE ASKING THE NEXT GOVERNMENT TO DO

Back the Auckland Deal with appropriate dedicated funding, necessary legislation, and effective joint governance to give Auckland the certainty and tools to deliver nationally significant outcomes.

Deliver differently

The Auckland Deal alone will not be enough. Central government and Auckland Council must change how they operate, using a common delivery model across all eight priorities:

1

CLEAR OWNERSHIP

Fewer overlapping plans, named leads, clear decision rights and accountability.

2

MEASURABLE DELIVERY

Aligned funding, agreed outcomes, milestones, and public reporting.

3

SHARED EXECUTION

Joint teams, shared data and coordinated action with business, mana whenua, universities, and civic institutions.

Applies across all eight priorities.



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